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WACT comedy performances set for this weekend

For the second time this year, Brett Robinson will direct a Wabash Area Community Theater (WACT) production as Rick Abbot's classic comedy 'Play On!' will take place" at 7 p.m. Saturday, May 1, as well as a 2 p.m. matinee performance on Sunday, May 2 at Northfield Jr./Sr. High School, 154 W. 200 North. Tickets will be available at the door for \$10 for adults and \$5 for students in high school or younger.

Weed Wrangle at Mississinewa Lake planned for Saturday, May 1

Volunteers are invited to gain hands-on Weed Wrangle experience beginning at 10 a.m. until noon Saturday, May 1 at the Blue Heron Trailhead located in Mississinewa's Miami State Recreation Area, 4673 S. 625 East, Peru. Advance registration is requested by calling 260-468-2127.

Wabash County Festival Scholarship Pageant call-out meeting set

The Wabash County Festivals Scholarship Pageant

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Opening doors to local families



Photos by Rob Burgess / Plain Dealer

Babe of Wabash County founder and director Katey Till shows off their facilities during their soft opening Tuesday, April 20.

Babe of Wabash County ribbon-cutting, tour planned for May's First Friday

By ROB BURGESS  
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

It was the afternoon of Tuesday, April 20 and somehow it was snowing quite hard at the Babe of Wabash County house at 88 W. Hill St.

Inside, founder and director Katey Till was wrapping up their soft opening held in preparation for their ribbon-cutting and grand opening planned by Grow Wabash County for the downtown First Friday event from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, May 7, with an open house planned for after the ceremony.

"It's going really well," said Till. "It's been slow but steady. We've had a lot of people come in who have been super supportive."

Till said during the tour and ribbon-cutting, refreshments will be offered, the store will be open and crafts will be available for children. Wabash Marketplace is offering trolley rides during First Friday events. One of the stops the trolley will make is at Babe during the open house.

Till said they are still in the process of putting the finishing touches on several key areas of the house.

"We still don't have furniture for the gathering room,

but we have a rug," said Till. "It's still being developed."

Till said they have more than enough gently-used clothing items for local families in need.

"This is all donated stuff. People can come in here they can take whatever they want," said Till, gesturing to the racks of clothes. "They can literally take every single thing."

Till said that while they don't need any more used donations, they are always accepting new items such as diapers, clothing and car seats.

"That's the key to the program, that everything's brand new," said Till.

On Monday, April 19, Grow Wabash County Project manager for marketing and events Chelsea Boulrisse said Babe of Wabash County "aims to be a touchstone for parents in the community that are looking for resources and support to help them raise a happy and healthy family."

"The organization recently launched its coupon program which encourages parents of all income levels and backgrounds to participate in certain activities such as going to the library or the pediatrician with their kids for coupons. These coupons can then be



The Babe of Wabash County house is located at 88 W. Hill St.

redeemed at the Babe Store to purchase supplies like diapers and wipes as well as other items such as strollers and clothes," said Boulrisse.

Boulrisse said once they are settled into the new space, Till said that Babe also plans to start hosting classes for parents to help them learn about topics such as good nutrition and parenting skills that are essential to being a parent.

"There will also be a focus to promote good literacy skills in young children," said Boulrisse.

On Monday, April 26, Till said that they are the recipient of a dollar-for-dollar \$50,000 matching grant from an anonymous donor that begins

Saturday, May 1, and ends Tuesday, Aug. 31.

Till said for every dollar Babe raises, their donor will match it up to \$50,000. All donations will directly benefit families and children up to age 5 in Wabash County "by providing them with essential items such as diapers and clothing, access to educational programming and opportunities to build connections with others."

"When families participate in activities that benefit their children, such as taking their children to the library or to the doctor, they will receive a coupon from that vendor.

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ISDH continues use of J&J COVID-19 vaccine after a pause

Webb's Family Pharmacy in North Manchester once again offering clinics Thursdays

By ROB BURGESS  
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

The relatively positive COVID-19 news continued locally as vaccine availability increased and positivity rates have decreased.

During Wednesday's Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) weekly advisory level update, Wabash County once again rated in blue, the lowest category, for the second week in a row.

However, during a televised press conference Wednesday, state health commissioner Dr. Kristina Box said the increase in variants coupled with a decrease in demand for vaccinations had caused a notable statewide uptick in cases and hospitalizations recently.

"Hoosiers, COVID is still here and it's not going away any time soon," said Box. "Please stay vigilant. Please don't take your guard down."

Part of that vigilance has to do with vaccine availability, which had been in question in recent days after U.S. agencies on Tuesday, April 13 recommended a "pause" in using the single-dose Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine to investigate reports of rare but potentially dangerous blood clots. The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) announced that they were investigating unusual clots that occurred 6 to 13 days after vaccination. As a result, the ISDH proactively notified all vaccination clinics that day using the single-dose Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine to pause its use.

On Wednesday, state chief medical officer Dr. Lindsay Weaver said they were "very

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Hero Memorial nameplates on sale beginning Monday

Each pillar will have the ability to display the names of 252 'heroes'

STAFF REPORT

Visit Wabash County, in partnership with the city of Wabash, has announced that the Hero Recognition nameplates for the new Hero Memorial will be available for purchase beginning at 10 a.m. Monday, May 3, according to marketing manager Whitney Millsbaugh.

The cost for each plate is \$100 and may be purchased online at [visitwabashcounty.com](http://visitwabashcounty.com) or by calling Visit Wabash County at 260-563-7171.

The cost of the recognition nameplates, along with a grant that was received from the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs (OCRA), will help cover the expense



Provided photo

The pillars are currently being fabricated locally by Schlemmer Brother's Metal Works and the decorative tiles are being engraved by Wabash Engraving.



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Debra Lynn is the director of choral organizations and vocal studies at Manchester. She also conducts the Manchester Symphony Orchestra.

Arrangement by MU's Debra Lynn selected for Caribbean Lyric Festival

Manchester Symphony Orchestra will also present a concert Sunday, May 16

By ANNE GREGORY

An orchestral arrangement by Professor Debra Lynn of Manchester Uni-

versity will premiere at the Caribbean Lyric Festival (Festival Lírico del Caribe) on Sunday, May 9.

Soprano Natalia Dopwell is one of eight Caribbean singers on the operatic musical program accompanied by a full orchestra. She will perform Lynn's

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# Salamonie Senior Luncheon set for Monday, May 3

## STAFF REPORT

The monthly Salamonie Senior Luncheon will be held at noon Monday, May 3, at the Salamonie Lake Interpretive Center, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews, according to interpretive manager Teresa Rody. Anyone age 50 or older is welcome to attend. “Join Kate Carpenter,

as she weaves her family-friendly folk stories into songs. She is a folk singer, songwriter and storyteller,” said Rody. The program begins with a carry-in meal at noon. The main dish will be provided. Guests should bring a side dish to share, a beverage and their own table service. A \$1 donation will be accepted to defray Friends of Upper Wa-

bash Interpretive Services’ costs. Reservations may be made by calling 260-468-2127. Seating is limited to 50 people, per COVID-19 guidelines. Social distancing will be practiced. “Note that details of this event may be subject to change based on the state’s response to COVID-19,” said Rody.

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72 / 55



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Mostly Cloudy  
78 / 60



**Monday**  
Showers Likely  
74 / 56



**Tuesday**  
Showers Likely  
68 / 49



**Wednesday**  
Few Showers  
65 / 45

## Sun and Moon

Today's sunset ..... 8:37 p.m.  
Tomorrow's sunrise ..... 6:42 a.m.



Last  
5/3

New  
5/11

First  
5/19

Full  
5/26

## Detailed Local Outlook

Today we will see sunny skies with a high temperature of 72°, humidity of 40%. South southeast wind 5 to 18 mph. Expect mostly clear skies tonight with an overnight low of 55°. South southwest wind 7 to 18 mph. Sunday, skies will be mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers, high of 78°, humidity of 45%.

# Desiring God

By **ROBB RENSBERGER**

In the NIV, 1984 translations, Psalm 63:1 states: “O God, you are my God, earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you, my body longs for you, in a dry and weary land where there is no water.”

As I think about this verse and meditate on it, I have to admit, this is what I want to experience in my life, but most of the time it is not the case. What do I mean by this statement? Well, I desire God and a deeper relationship with him. But most of the time that desire is not on the level of thirsting and longing for him as a person who is walking through a desert with no water.

There have been times when I have been thirsty, but never to the point where I was dehydrated, with my tongue swollen, and lips cracked. Just writing this has caused me to reach for my water bottle and take a drink, even though I am not overly thirsty. Maybe you are experiencing a little thirst as you read this. Sorry, for that.

There have been times I thirsted for God in the way the psalmist is meaning.

This is usually after I have sinned or failed. I have hurt someone by my actions or words or I have flat out disobeyed God’s Word. When this happens, there is guilt, shame, and fear. But none of these are of or from God. If I let them, they will drive me away from God and my loved ones.

It is the conviction of God’s Holy Spirit that humbles me but does not shame or cause me

guilt. As I humble my spirit and my heart, I am overwhelmed by God’s presence, his love, mercy, grace, and compassion. It is in these moments when I truly thirst for God and long for God as in a dry and weary land. The time there is wonderful even though it is often painful as I confess and repent.

I truly desire to stay in this place and I do for a while – a day or a week or a month, but not forever. Soon, my thirst and longing start to diminish. The world and worldly things start to occupy more of my thoughts and desires – worldly things that are not necessarily bad or wrong; things like work, family, bills, and other responsibilities.

Yes, there are also all the distractions of the world pulling on me.

There have been other times when I was in a worship service or on a retreat, that I was caught up in my worship and time with God. In these times God was so real and so close with the presence of His love, mercy, grace, and compassion, it caused me to truly thirst and long for Him. During these moments, time was not a factor and I wanted time to stand still so the moment would not end. But it always ends. And I am back in the world with worldly desires and distractions taking more of my focus.

It seems like most of my life is following God from a distance. Close enough to live for him but far enough away to not truly thirst and long for him as a person who is walking through a desert with no water.

So when I read and think on a verse like this, it makes me want to desire God more, just like earlier when I became thirsty writing about thirst and you possibly became thirsty reading about thirst. To read about another person desiring God in this way also encourages me to want God in the same way. It increased my thirst and longing for God. It helps me to reorient my spiritual life. To refocus on what I should be focused on.

It is like many verses in the Bible, it acts as a compass, it helps me find true North, again. I have wandered to the left or the right or more to the truth, I have purposely veered to the left or the right. But, now, this verse is the needle pointing me to true North, pointing me to God.

I experience God’s presence in the valleys and on the mountain tops.

It is when I am walking on level ground that I lose the closeness of his presence. God has not left or changed, but I am the one who has wandered away. As I look back on my life most of it has been lived on the level ground and very little in the valleys or on the mountain tops.

I am praying for God’s help in keeping his presence with me as I walk on level ground, so I will be in a constant state of thirst and longing for him as a person who is walking through a desert with no water. I am not there yet, but with God’s help, I am moving in the right direction.

*Robb Rensberger is the senior pastor of the First Church of God.*

# Salamonie Preschool offers ‘B is for Buds and Blooms’

Program for children ages 2 to 5 set for Wednesday, May 5

## STAFF REPORT

Preschool-age children and their adults are invited to Salamonie Preschool’s “B is for Buds and Blooms” according to interpretive naturalist Teresa Rody. “What is a bud and what

does it need to bloom?” said Rody.

Children ages 2 to 5 and their adults are welcome to attend the class from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 5 at Salamonie Interpretive Center located in Lost Bridge West State Recreation Area, 3691 S. New Holland Road, Andrews.

“Each program is designed to enhance the preschooler’s basic education,

including music, crafts, social interaction and time outdoors, always with a nature-related theme,” said Rody.

The program fee is \$2 per child.

“Note that details of this event may be subject to change based on the state’s response to COVID-19,” said Rody.

Advance registration is appreciated by calling 260-468-2127.



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# Obituaries

## Rita A. Maxey

Nov. 6, 1942 – April 27, 2021

Rita A. Maxey, 78, Marion, passed away at 12:50 am on Tuesday, April 27, 2021, at Colonial Oaks Health & Rehabilitation Center in Marion. She was born in Peru, Indiana, on Friday, November 6, 1942, to Lyman and Aileen (Houser) Puterbaugh. She married Hiram G. “Bones” Maxey, and he preceded her in death on December 3, 1999.

Rita graduated from Marion High School and attended Indiana Business College. She was a site supervisor with Marion Housing Authority. She was a member of St. Paul Catholic Church, American Legion Auxiliary, Amvets Auxiliary, 40 & 8 Le Femmes, and Altar Rosary.

Survivors include her sons, James (Christine) Lanternier of Converse, Joseph (Margarita) Lanternier of San Antonio, TX, and Matthew (Natalie) Lanternier of Iowa City, IA; grand-



son, John Lanternier; granddaughters, Elise Lanternier, Paula Lanternier, and Claire Lanternier; and sisters, Rebecca (Phil) Townsend-Rinearson of Battle Creek, MI, and Karman Moser of Marion. She was also preceded in death by her parents.

The family will receive visitors from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm on Sunday, May 2, 2021, at Needham-Storrey-Wampner Funeral Service, North Chapel, 1341 N. Baldwin Ave., Marion, IN. A funeral service to celebrate Rita’s life will take place at 10:30 am on Monday, May 3, 2021, at St. Paul Catholic Church. Father Ted Rothrock will be officiating with burial following at Grant Memorial Park.

Memorial contributions may be directed to St. Paul Catholic Parish, 1031 W. Kem Rd., Marion, IN 46952. Memories may be shared online at [www.nswcares.com](http://www.nswcares.com).

## Kennith ‘Kenny’ Michael

March 8, 1933 – April 28, 2021

Kennith “Kenny” Michael, 88, Sidney, IN, died April 28, 2021. He was born March 8, 1933.

Kenny is survived by his wife, Jenine Michael; sons, Marvin (Jan) and Ben (Deeda) Michael; daughters, Gwen (Brock) Ostrom and Beverly (Kris) Dierks; brother, Kam (Patti) Michael; sisters, Darlene Eckert, Kay (David) Wall, and Karen

Wolfe; son-in-law, Frank Yensel; nine grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

Visitation Saturday, May 1, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Liberty Mills Church of the Brethren, 103 North Third Street, Liberty Mills, Indiana. Funeral services will begin at the conclusion of calling.

Arrangements are entrusted to McKee Mortuary.

## LYNN

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arrangement of “White Egrets IV” from Songs of the Islands, a 12-song collection by Dominique Le Gendre.

This event at the National Theater in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, will be broadcast live on Dominican television and YouTube. For information about the festival, visit <https://www.facebook.com/caribbeanlyricfestival>.

Lynn is the director of choral organizations and vocal studies at Manchester. She also conducts the Manchester Symphony

Orchestra.

The orchestra’s Sunday, May 16 concert, “Around the World in 80 Minutes,” will feature the world premiere of orchestrations of the entire “Songs of the Islands” song cycle. Lynn orchestrated and arranged eight of the movements, and the other four were orchestrated by the composer, Le Gendre.

Lynn will conduct her oratorio, “A Family Portrait,” at Carnegie Hall on Memorial Day 2022. It features the text of a family’s letters from the Civil War era.

*Anne Gregory is the assistant director of media relations in the Office of Strategic Communications at Manchester University.*

## MEMORIAL

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of the installation of the Hero Memorial and its upkeep.

The memorial will include three 7-foot stainless steel pillars with decorative caps.

Each pillar will have the ability to display the names of 252 “heroes.”

In addition to the names, decorative stars and quotes highlighting the patriotic service of the numerous men and women who have sacrificed for the greater good have been incorporated into the design.

The pillars are currently being fabricated locally by Schlemmer Brother’s Metal Works and the decorative tiles are being engraved by Wabash Engraving.

The memorial is slated for installation in the summer and will replace the hero banner program.

Nameplates ordered before Sept. 30 are slated to be installed by Veteran’s Day in November.

For more information, visit the Visit Wabash County Welcome Center at 221 S. Miami St., email at [christine@visitwabashcounty.com](mailto:christine@visitwabashcounty.com) or by calling 260-563-7171.

## VACCINE

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excited” to get the news that the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) and the CDC had lifted their pause on the Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

“This pause allowed federal experts to more closely review this extremely rare condition,” said Weaver.

Weaver said this complication has a risk of seven cases per one million vaccinated women who are between the ages of 18 and 49 years old. For women over 50 and men of all ages, this adverse event is even rarer at less than one per million.

“This review shows that the safety measures in place work and it allowed time to educate both patients and providers about the symptoms for what they should look for and ensure that anyone who presented with this very rare side effect could be treated properly,” said Weaver. “Every individual can have a unique

response to a vaccine.”

Weaver said it was “heart-breaking” to hear that three women died of this rare clotting disorder, “but it is important to recognize that this brief pause in the use of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine signals that federal officials take vaccine safety very seriously.” “The CDC and ACIP have stated their firm confidence in resuming the use of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine and we are confident in resuming it here in Indiana,” said Weaver. “While we know that some people might prefer one vaccine over the other, we continue to believe the best vaccine is the one you can get into your arm today.”

Webb’s Family Pharmacy in North Manchester had been offering weekly Johnson & Johnson vaccine appointments every Thursday starting March 18. After the pause was announced, Webb’s Family Pharmacy confirmed by phone with the Plain Dealer that they canceled all previously scheduled appointments set for that week. Last week, Webb’s

## Asbury Country Church

On Sunday, May 2 at Asbury Country Church, Sunday School is at 9:30 a.m. and the worship service is at 10:30 a.m. The worship leader will be Amy Bullick, the music leader will be Mel Hoover and the piano will be by Roger Marine. The morning message will be, “For No Reason at All,” by Pastor Mike Bullick.

## Bachelor Creek Church of Christ

Online services are available by visiting [www.bachelorcreek.com](http://www.bachelorcreek.com).

## Christ United Methodist Church

On Sunday, May 2 worship service at Christ United Methodist Church, 477 N. Wabash St., is at 10 a.m. Pastor Tom Richards’ scripture reading will be John 15:1-8 with a sermon reflection titled, “Jesus, the True Vine.” Worship service will also be live-streamed on our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/ChristUMCWabash/](http://www.facebook.com/ChristUMCWabash/).

## Christian Heritage Church

Streaming services online and broadcast on 95.9 FM.

## College Corner Brethren Church

College Corner Brethren Church is now holding in-person services at 10:15 a.m. Sundays at 8996 S. 500 West, with Pastor Solomon David. The sermons are still on YouTube and Facebook.

## Common Ground Prayer House

The Common Ground Prayer House will be open to the public from 8 to 10 a.m. Mondays, except holidays, at 78 W. Hill St. COVID-19 precautions will be taken in the form of masks being worn by prayer house representatives and social distancing. For more information, call Jennifer Mahan at 260-571-8063, Shirley Neale at 260-591-0047 or Debbie Sweet at 260-571-6072.

## Dora Christian Church

For the Sunday, May 2 services at Dora Christian Church in Lagro the minister will be Mark Wisniewski, the song leader will be Olman Sanchez, the pianist will be Sherry Brock and the organist will be Kristy Good. We have two in-person Sunday services at 8:15 and 10:30 a.m., with Sunday school classes for all ages from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. Preacher Mark Wisniewski’s message for this Sunday will be “Garbage In, Garbage Out” from 2 Chronicles 20:1-17. The Communion Table will be served by Scott Hendry and John Troyer. There will be a Children’s Church provided for the 10:30 a.m. service, to be taught by Randall and Linda Good. If you can’t make it to the Live Services, Preacher

## VIRTUAL AND IN-PERSON CHURCH SERVICES

Mark Wisniewski’s sermon will be posted on the Dora Christian Church Facebook group Sunday morning for all to see.

## LaFontaine Christian Church

The LaFontaine Christian Church pre-records the sermon which is then available for all to view at [www.lafontainechristian.com](http://www.lafontainechristian.com) under the sermons tab, stated Pastor Brad Wright.

## LaFontaine United Methodist Church

Pastor Susan Shambaugh says that her LaFontaine United Methodist Church is live-streaming on their Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/LaFontaine-United-Methodist-Church> and that it may be accessed as a video afterward.

## Lincolnvile United Methodist Church

Lincolnvile United Methodist, 5848 E. 500 South, is going back to one worship service. The worship service is at 10 a.m., and Sunday school is at 9 a.m.

## Living Faith Lutheran Church

Welcome to our in-person worship service at 10:10 a.m. Sundays at Living Faith Lutheran Church, 242 S. Huntington St. Bible study and Sunday school are at 9 a.m. for all ages. The sanctuary is arranged for social distancing. Masks are encouraged and available. Online services are at 10:10 a.m., with pre-service music at 10 a.m. For virtual services and more information, visit [www.livingfaithwabash.org](http://www.livingfaithwabash.org).

## Manchester Church of the Brethren

Pastor Kurt Borgmann from the Manchester Church of the Brethren stated they will hold a live-stream service at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday by visiting [www.manchestercob.net](http://www.manchestercob.net). Scroll to the bottom of the home page and click on the black button that says, “Manchester CoB YouTube Channel.” After the service is finished, one may access a video copy of the live stream in the same way. Another way to access the live stream or posted video: go to YouTube, search “Manchester Church of the Brethren,” and click on the circle profile.

## North Manchester Congregational Christian Church

Pastor Sebrina Cline stated live streaming begins on their Facebook page at 10 a.m. Sundays for the North Manchester Congregational Christian Church, and lasts 30 to 40 minutes.

## North Manchester Missionary Church

The North Manchester Mis-

sionary Church is streaming live on their Facebook page at 10 a.m. Sunday. The video is then placed on their webpage, which can be viewed by visiting NMMC1.com.

## Olive Branch Church of God

The Olive Branch Church of God live-streams Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. Find it through Facebook, by searching Olive Branch Church, or by visiting [www.facebook.com/myolivebranchchurch](http://www.facebook.com/myolivebranchchurch) or through the church website [www.olivebranch.church](http://www.olivebranch.church). Click “Live Streaming” at the top, then click the series icon (lion head).

## Richvalley United Methodist Church

Worship at Richvalley United Methodist Church begins at 9:30 a.m. Sundays at 290 N. Jefferson St. Sunday school begins at 10:45 a.m. For more information, call 260-563-1033 or email [rvumc@hotmail.com](mailto:rvumc@hotmail.com).

## Roann United Methodist Church

Pastor Wayne Balmer will have service in person at the church along with being online at 9 a.m. Sunday, May 2. The sermon will be taken from 1st John 3:1-6 titled “Children of God.”

## Southside Free Will Baptist

Streaming on their Facebook page.

## Sweetwater Assembly of God

Streaming services online using the normal service schedule.

## Urbana Yoke Parish

Rev. Larry Wade of the Urbana Yoke Parish stated that his congregation posts Sunday services to [www.urbanayokeparish.com](http://www.urbanayokeparish.com). Go to the menu line at the top of the page and select “Worship Videos.” The most recent one will appear first. Sunday services are posted by noon every Tuesday.

## Wabash Church of the Brethren

At the Wabash Church of the Brethren, Pastor Doug Veal is holding a Zoom meeting each Sunday for worship. The meeting is open at 10:15 a.m. so that everyone can be connected by 10:30 a.m. Join this church service by visiting <https://zoom.us/j/393263884> or by calling 312-626-6799 and enter meeting ID No. 393 263 884.

## Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Welcome to Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), 110 West Hill St. In-person worship is at 9:30 a.m. Sunday mornings in the sanctuary or via

live-stream for the church at home on the Wabash Christian YouTube Channel. Access is also available on our Facebook page and website [wabashchristian.org](http://wabashchristian.org). Stephen Eberhard is the transitional minister.

## Wabash Church of the Nazarene

Pastor Kirk Johnson, of the Wabash Church of the Nazarene, stated their service is available on YouTube on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. Find it by going to YouTube and search for “Wabash Nazarene” or search Facebook for the Wabash Church of the Nazarene. Another option is to visit [www.wabashnaz.com](http://www.wabashnaz.com), look for the home page, and find “Latest Sermon.”

## Wabash First Church of God

At the 10:30 a.m. Sunday, May 2 worship service at Wabash First Church of God, 525 N. Miami St., Pastor Robb Rensberger will speak on “Are We Better Than Our Forefathers?” The scripture is Matthew 23:29-33. The sermon can also be seen on YouTube under Wabash 1st Church and heard on Sunday at 11 a.m. on 105.9 FM. While in the church building, masks are optional but we do practice social distancing. Sunday servants are Dorothy Carpenter, chairperson; Sue White, worship; Rose Sands, piano; and Nancy Kolb, organ.

## Walk by Faith Community Church

At the Walk by Faith Community Church in Roann, Sunday school begins at 9 a.m. and the worship and children’s worship services begin at 10 a.m. The youth pastor is Jody Tyner. Our greeters for Sunday, April 25 will be Jared and Lynn Miller, and Penny and Heath Tackett. Pastor Jody Tyner will be sharing the message with us. We invite all to come and worship with us. All will be welcome to a Fellowship Fiesta Party featuring “food, fun and fellowship” from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday, May 2. The Walk by Faith Youth ministry meets at 5 p.m. every Sunday. For more information, visit [www.walk-byfaithcommunitychurch.com](http://www.walk-byfaithcommunitychurch.com).

## Zion Lutheran Church of Wabash

Pastor Jerry Gauthier says that the Zion Lutheran Church of Wabash is streaming through their Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/zionwabash](http://www.facebook.com/zionwabash) at 10:30 a.m. Sundays.

*Editor’s note: If you have an upcoming event to submit, please send it by email to [news@wabashplainedealer.com](mailto:news@wabashplainedealer.com) no later than five days before the event itself. Please use complete sentences, Associated Press style and Microsoft Word or PDF file formats.*

School in Gary is offering both the Johnson & Johnson and Pfizer vaccines. The Gary clinic, which runs through June 2, is offering vaccinations from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. CDT at 2401 Harrison St., Gary. Free transportation to and from the site is available through the Gary Public Transportation Corporation (GPTC) and through a partnership between IU Health and Lyft. Language interpretation and support for those with disabilities, hearing or vision impairments are also available onsite.

A FEMA mobile unit is offering walk-ins for first doses; individuals seeking second doses have been scheduled by appointment from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday at Pentecostal Temple Church of God and Christ, 2622 Wabash St., Michigan City.

Additional mobile clinics are planned from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday, May 4 through Saturday, May 8 at East Chicago School Administration, 1401 E. 144th St., East Chicago; and La Porte Rural King, 1340 St. Rd. 2, West La Porte. The

first and second doses will be available at these clinics.

Additional clinics are being planned from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday, May 4 through Thursday, May 6 at the Delaware County Fairgrounds, 1210 Wheeling Ave., Muncie; and from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, May 8 at Wolf Lake Pavilion, 2324 Calumet Ave., Hammond.

As of Friday, a total of 4,229,104 doses have been administered in Indiana. This includes 2,344,638 first doses and 1,884,466 individuals who are fully vaccinated. The fully vaccinated number represents individuals who have received a second dose of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines and those who received the single Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

Hoosiers interested in receiving a vaccine can obtain them without an appointment at participating clinics. To find vaccination sites, visit <https://ourshot.in.gov>.

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# Opinion

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## LETTERS GUIDELINES

The Wabash Plain Dealer encourages your letters to the editor forum, which is designed to be a forum for exchange of ideas between readers about issues of community importance.

Please sign your letter. Your name will be used with the letter that is published in the Plain Dealer. Your letter will be returned if it is your desire to remain anonymous.

Since we may want to write or call you to verify the letter, we ask that you include your address and telephone number. All our letters to the editor are published in the interest of fair play, so we trust our letter writers will refrain from personal attacks on other persons or groups.

A letter should be less than two pages long, preferably of double-spaced typing.

In order to give everyone an opportunity to participate in this exchange of ideas, please try to limit your letters to one per month per household.

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Letters also may be hand-delivered to the newspaper office, 99 W. Canal St. The office is open 9-11:30 a.m. and 1-4 p.m. Monday through Friday. If you should deliver a letter during non-business hours, a drop slot is located to the left of the front door. Letters may be faxed to 260-563-0816, or email them to [news@wabashplainedealer.com](mailto:news@wabashplainedealer.com) with "Letters to the Editor" in the subject line.

## DAILY SCRIPTURE

And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:19

# There is no absolute right to refuse vaccination

More than half of American (and Californian) adults have received at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine, and nearly a third are fully vaccinated. Vaccination has now been opened to everyone 16 and older. Our biggest worry in the coming months isn't whether we'll be able to deliver enough doses; it's whether enough people will seek them.

We're getting closer to the point where every American who wants to be vaccinated will have gotten their needle stick. A quarter of Americans say they don't plan to be vaccinated; in vaccine-friendlier California, that's 1 in 5.

Of those who don't plan to be immunized, some worry about the newness of the vaccines, while others just don't like vaccines in general, despite the mountains of proof about how many lives they save, and some stubbornly refuse to believe that COVID-19 is all that dangerous. They should take a sobering look at India, where vaccine hesitancy has been identified as one of the major factors, along with new variants and complacency about risks, behind a horrific surge in cases and deaths.

Now, as businesses in the U.S. beckon employees back to the office, colleges prepare for the return of students in the fall, and stadiums, arenas and concert halls open, vaccine resistance is colliding with efforts to fully restart the economy and, over time, ditch the masks and social distancing. Numerous Republican officials have opposed "vaccine passports" that would grant services or entry only to people who'd been vaccinated. Some parents are declaring that they don't want

to have their children inoculated in order to return to school, should the vaccines be approved for people younger than 16. Some teachers don't want the shots, either. Or nurses.

Drawing the lines on vaccine mandates can be tricky. We don't require flu vaccination for public school students, but we do require the shots that guard against measles, mumps and rubella and a host of other diseases.

Yet some things are clear. No one has the right to sicken anyone else or start a new spike in cases through carelessness or their own sense of "personal choice." At the same time, people who have a valid medical reason not to be vaccinated – and they are extremely few – should get a pass.

Private businesses and employers have a right to set the rules for their customers, employees and anyone else who comes through their doors. Medical staff shouldn't be allowed to sicken patients – or one another – with a potentially deadly virus. Foreign visitors to the United States also should have to show that they have gotten the shots or submit to quarantine, just as U.S. tourists to the European Union will have to do this summer.

At the other end of the spectrum, should widespread vaccination and advances in treatment bring COVID-19 to the point where it is no more dangerous than the flu – which isn't exactly safe, killing 30,000 to 50,000 Americans a year on average – the rules should be no more onerous than they are for that disease. Here's hoping that day isn't too far off.

And unvaccinated people should be able to go to

uncrowded outdoor settings where the chance of passing the illness on to others is extremely small, such as when walking down an uncrowded sidewalk. That's already true under new guidelines by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and many municipal rules.

Schools appear to be safe environments for now, but they can't move to full-time, normal activity without vaccination. That will have to wait until the vaccines have been approved for children. At that point, just as immunization is required for all kinds of diseases at school, the same should be true of the COVID-19 vaccines. Teachers and other staff also should be required to get their shots. There is more chance of adults passing it to one another than of students spreading the disease.

One problem is that public schools and colleges – as well as courthouses, Social Security offices and other public institutions – cannot require anyone to get a COVID vaccination until the vaccines receive final approval. Existing law demands that people be told they have the right to refuse pharmaceuticals before that stage.

The Pfizer and Moderna vaccines could receive approval by autumn, but variants of the virus keep cropping up, and if the vaccine boosters to fight those variants are considered new pharmaceuticals, they may remain under emergency-use rules. Congress needs to update the law so that vaccine refusers don't have a chance to endanger those who take wise medical precautions.

— This editorial was first published in the Los Angeles Times.

# Numbers can push an agenda

One of my favorite jokes involves an election in a mythical town in which there are 1,000 Christian voters and 250 Jewish voters. There is an election for mayor featuring a Christian candidate and a Jewish candidate, who get, respectively, 1,000 votes and 250 votes.

**Leo Morris**



"Boy," says one Christian voter to another after the results are announced, "those Jews sure stick together, don't they?"

That's just a silly, throwaway gag, but there is a real-life example, cited by John Allen Paulos in his invaluable book, "A Mathematician Reads the Newspaper."

In the New York City mayoral race between Rudolph Giuliani and David Dinkins, claims were made that blacks voted along racial lines more than whites did. The evidence cited was that 95 percent of blacks voted for Dinkins, the black candidate, while only 75 percent of whites voted for Giuliani, the white candidate.

"This failed to take into account, however, the preference of most black voters for any Democratic candidate," Paulos wrote. "Assuming that 80 percent of blacks usually vote for Democrats and only 50 percent of whites usually vote for Republicans, one can argue that only 15 percent of blacks voted for Democrat Dinkins based on race, but 25 percent of the whites voted for Republican Giuliani based on race."

The point of both the fictional story and the real one is that we interpret numbers the way we do everything else, through the prism of our own experiences and preconceptions. And because innumerate journalists pass along without scrutiny numbers that advocates use to deceive as much as illuminate, we should be especially wary of numbers in the news.

I advise this as an addendum to last week's column, in which I, one of those innumerate journalists, threw out numbers willy-nilly. To show that politicians and the media have tried to scare us witless over COVID, I listed a number of other ways to die with worse odds than dying of the virus.

And was quickly taken to task by an Indiana University emeritus professor of biology, who urged me to recheck all my alarming statistics, specifically calling attention to my numbers on the flu (1 in 63 chance of dying from it) and plane crashes (1 in 205,552).

"According to the CDC," she wrote, "the death rate for the flu in the U.S. is 1 in 6,579, not one in 65." And, "Only about 400 Americans die in plane crashes per year, and in all but a very few years, they are all in private planes, not commercial."

The air crash odds I must confess to. I found the 1-in-205,552 number in more than one place, but no cites for the source. Other, more realistic odds I found ranged from 1 in 5 million to 1 in 11 million to "too few deaths in 2019 to calculate the odds."

But the other numbers I got from the National Safety Council, where it was noted that these are "lifetime risks" calculated by dividing the "2003 population by the number of deaths, divided by 77.6, the life expectancy of a person born in 2003."

So I will leave those numbers, noting only that they served my purpose. I wanted to make a point about misperceiving risk, so I deliberately chose some of the highest risks I could find.

I had an agenda. So do all those in the news stories we read who use numbers for anything but relaying the specifics of a particular incident. They are trying to tell a bigger story, which means they are trying to sell us something – a position, a philosophy, a world view.

So we should be mindful of what they're not saying, search for the hidden context, the missing perspective. If City A has more crime than City B, is that in raw numbers or a per capita percentage? If we're supposed to be alarmed about a new "surge" in COVID, what numbers are being surged from and to, compared to the initial surge? If a family of four can't live on the minimum wage, do we know how many families of four actually have to try to do that?

If there is a 1 in 2,535 chance of choking on food, are those the lifetime odds or is it the chance we take with every bite?

No, don't discount numbers. They can be interesting, entertaining and even informative when individual ones are used to show us a potential pattern. But view them with great skepticism when that supposed pattern is used in an effort to prescribe or proscribe our activities.

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## HISTORY

Today is Saturday, May 1, the 121st day of 2021. There are 244 days left in the year.

### Highlight in history:

On May 1, 2011, President Barack Obama announced the death of Osama bin Laden during a U.S. commando operation.

### On this date:

In 1707, the Kingdom of Great Britain was created as a treaty merging England and Scotland took effect.

In 1915, the RMS Lusitania set sail from New York, headed for Liverpool, England (it was torpedoed and sunk by Germany off the coast of Ireland six days later).

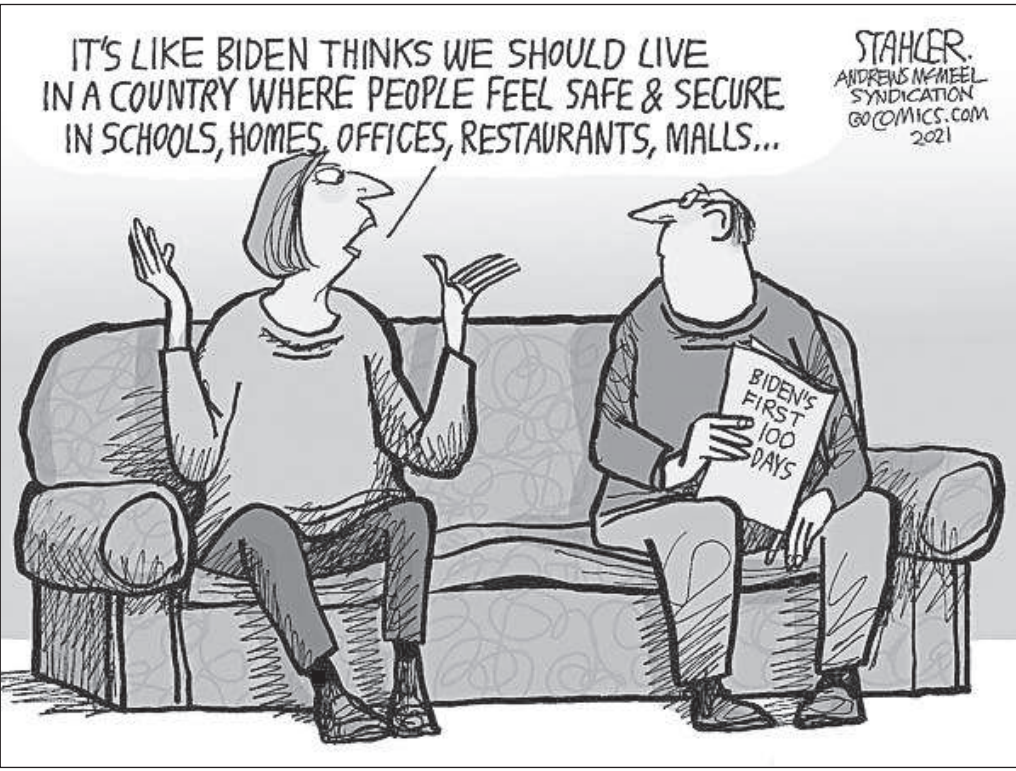
In 1941, the Orson Welles motion picture "Citizen Kane" premiered in New York.

In 1945, a day after Adolf Hitler took his own life, Admiral Karl Doenitz effectively became sole leader of the Third Reich with the suicide of Hitler's propaganda minister, Josef Goebbels.

In 1960, the Soviet Union shot down an American U-2 reconnaissance plane over Sverdlovsk and captured its pilot, Francis Gary Powers.

In 1963, James W. Whittaker became the first American to conquer Mount Everest as he and Sherpa guide Nawang Gombu reached the summit.

In 1971, the intercity passenger rail service Amtrak went into operation.



## LETTERS

### Remembering the submarine USS Thresher

The sinking of the Indonesian submarine 502 on April 21, and the breakup of the vessel and death of 53 crew members highlight the hazards of operating in the oceans.

The 502 sinking brings back memories of the sinking and destruction of the USS Thresher on April 10, 1963, off the New England coast with the loss of 129 men. A Navy inquiry determined most likely there was flooding in the engine room possibly from faulty piping causing coolant pumps to slow or stop and trigger a reactor shutdown with a loss of power. Subsequently, the Navy implemented the SUBSAFE program for quality assurance and certification for submarines.

Additionally, the Navy implemented a safe testing program that ensured all submarine testing would be conducted by stringent testing parameters.

**Donald Moskowitz  
Londonderry,  
New Hampshire**

### Getting back to normal?

People talk a lot about getting back to normal. Getting back to normal? Things haven't been

normal in America for a hundred years.

A hundred years ago we sent soldiers across the Atlantic to kick-off America's quest for European dominance.

Since then, our domestic needs for health, education and welfare have clashed with, and usually lost to, the need of our opportunistic presidents for military expansion.

While defending the world against communists, fascists, emperors, and tin-pot dictators we forgot our people. Our rich got richer, to be sure, but our middle class, working poor and untouchable homeless got poorer.

Declining unionization, declining skills, declining knowledge, declining purchasing power, declining jobs, declining solvency, declining families, and, lately, declining health ... all of this since WWI has not been normal for America.

When will we get back to normal? Triple-digit interest rates for the poor; collapsing infrastructure, courts captured by monied interests; all national power in the hands of one president, one senator and one speaker; and states in a shriveling dither of incompetence?

Never might be too soon.

**Kimball Shinkoskey  
Woods Cross, Utah**

### Restore Our Earth

Earth Day 2021's theme is Restore Our Earth – focusing on ways to prevent and reverse the impacts of climate change. Incorporating more products and materials made from renewable, plant-based inputs into our lives can help address our environmental challenges head-on.

Using more plant-based products – including everything from household cleaners, packaging, textiles, building materials and more – can decrease our reliance on fossil fuels, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and cut down on landfill waste. As the sustainable inputs used to create these products grow, they remove carbon dioxide (CO2) pollution from the atmosphere. And many of these products are compostable, helping provide much-needed organic matter and nutrients to our depleted soil resources.

The Plant Based Products Council is dedicated to promoting the adoption of more renewable products and materials. This Earth Day let's commit to using more renewable resources to create the products we use every day as an important step towards restoring our earth.

**Jessica Bowman  
Executive Director, Plant  
Based Products Council  
Washington, D.C.**



# LIFESTYLES



Photo by Lynda Balslev for TasteFood

## A perfect work-from-home lunch

I work from home, and while it’s how I’ve always worked, it still presents a few challenges. Namely, structure and discipline. One trick I rely on is to schedule a lunch break. Easy to say, but the ritual of leaving the desk, moving into another room, and, most important, stepping away from the screen, can be difficult.

**Lynda Balslev**



I find if I have prepped a lunch ahead of time, it reinforces the lunchtime ritual and provides incentive to move out of the bedroom or living room-cum-office and take a break. I don’t have to be bothered with deciding what to eat at the last minute, or daydreaming about it throughout the morning, so when I am suddenly famished and likely to graze and snack to quickly fill the void, I can reach instead for my pre-packed lunch.

This is a perfect do-ahead salad, easily stored in a container – or portioned into separate containers. Once the ingredients are prepped, it comes together quickly and doesn’t mind a little refrigerator time. It can pass for lunch or dinner, so make a full portion and enjoy it over a day or two.

I have made renditions of this salad for years. The ingredients are flexible and welcome leftovers. I like to use shrimp, shredded cooked chicken, strips of steak – even tofu can step in as a substitute. This recipe includes

my favorite vegetables – brightly blanched broccolini florets, crispy carrots and juicy, cool cucumbers add sweetness, texture and color to this dish. Red bell peppers, sugar snap peas and bean sprouts are also great additions.

A sweet, salty, spicy peanut dressing, bright with lime, is the perfect binder to the salad. I make a little extra, so there’s more to drizzle over individual servings or to use as a dip for veggies (which is a perfect snack for your mid-afternoon break).

**Vietnamese Shrimp and Broccolini Bowl**  
**Active Time: 20 minutes**  
**Total Time: 20 minutes**  
**Yield: Serves 4**

**Dressing:**  
1/4 cup grapeseed or canola oil  
3 tablespoons creamy peanut butter  
2 tablespoons fresh lime juice  
2 tablespoons soy sauce  
1 tablespoon finely grated peeled fresh ginger  
1 garlic clove, minced  
1 tablespoon runny honey  
1 teaspoon Sriracha  
**Salad:**  
1 pound large (18/20) shrimp, peeled and deveined, tails intact optional  
Salt  
3/4 pound broccolini  
8 ounces stir-fry rice noodles  
1 medium carrot, cut in matchsticks  
1/2 English cucumber, seeded, cut in matchsticks  
3 scallions, ends trimmed, white and

green parts sliced on the diagonal  
1/4 cup fresh cilantro leaves and tender sprigs, coarsely chopped  
1/4 cup fresh mint leaves, chopped  
1 to 2 tablespoons toasted sesame seeds

Whisk all of the dressing ingredients in a bowl.

Bring a large saucepan of water to a boil. Add the shrimp and immediately remove the pan from the heat. Let the shrimp poach until bright in color and opaque through the centers, about 4 minutes. Drain and blot the shrimp dry with a paper towel. Lightly season with salt and set aside.

Cut the florets from the broccolini, 1 1/2 to 2 inches in length. Reserve the stalks for another use.

Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil. Add the rice noodles and cook until al dente, per package instructions. Add the broccolini florets to the cooking water and stir until brightened in color, about 15 seconds more. Drain the noodles and broccolini at once and run under cold water to stop the cooking process. Drain thoroughly.

Combine the rice noodles, broccolini, carrot, cucumber and scallions in a large bowl. Add half of the dressing and toss to thoroughly coat. Add the shrimp, cilantro, mint and 1 tablespoon sesame seeds and stir again to coat, adding more dressing to your taste. (The salad made be prepared 1 day in advance of serving and refrigerated in an airtight container.) Serve garnished with additional cilantro and sesame seeds.

## Birds bring their ‘love story’ back to Chicago beach

**By MORGAN GREENE**  
Chicago Tribune (TNS)

CHICAGO — Chicago’s preeminent plovers are together again, settling in for their third summer of saving their species at Montrose Beach along the Lake Michigan coast.

Monty and Rose, the endangered Great Lakes piping plovers who became the first pair to nest successfully in Chicago in decades, collectively traveled more than 2,000 miles to make it back to Chicago just one day apart.

Shortly before sunset Monday, as the edge of Lake Michigan reflected an amber sky, one of the plovers touched down along the shore by the dunes habitat and proceeded to dash past cracked shells and a wa-



Armando L. Sanchez / Chicago Tribune / TNS

**Piping plovers with leg bandings matching mates Monty, right, and Rose, appear together at Montrose Beach on April 26 in Chicago. In 2019 they became the first pair to nest successfully in Chicago in decades.**

termelon White Claw can, pausing here and there to plunge its beak into the sand or sound a piercing cheep. The bird flew over to the pier and, in a blink, was gone again.

Rose was first seen Sunday

morning at the beach, and as word of the return spread, birders arrived with big cameras and growing excitement. Many were alerted by Mark Kolasa, who was out birding at Montrose, like most days, when he second-guessed

what he saw.

“I was just walking along the beach, not really expecting to see a plover because it’s maybe a little bit early yet,” Kolasa said. “She was so much smaller than I remembered.”

The scramble began to confirm the bird based off its unique leg bands.

“There was a lot of excitement, a lot of back and forth,” Kolasa said. “Get someone out there with a scope, now!”

Rose flew around, dodging some gulls, Kolasa said. But his favorite part was when she started calling out. “I was imagining she was like, ‘Where are you, Monty?’”

On Monday afternoon, another plover arrived at the beach that appeared to be Monty. By Tuesday morning, Monty’s banding combination was confirmed.

## Apple thinks building credit should be a family affair – no 13-year-old needs credit

No, building credit shouldn’t be a family affair.

But Apple thinks it should be, and next month the tech giant is introducing the “Apple Card Family.” According to the company announcement, this new feature is an “innovative new way for people to share their Apple Card, track purchases, manage spending, and build credit together with their Family Sharing group.”

Apple believes it’s doing families a favor by allowing them to make a group exercise out of using and managing debt, including enabling parents to share Apple Card spending privileges with children as young as 13. Here are some answers to questions you may have about this new feature.

**Michelle Singletary**



### What’s new about the Apple Card Family?

Apple is touting the ability of Apple Card customers to form family groups – up to five people – that can manage the credit card spending from their iPhones. All users must be part of the same “Family Sharing” group and be 13 or older.

Big whoop.

“We designed Apple Card Family because we saw an opportunity to reinvent how spouses, partners, and the people you trust most share credit cards and build credit together,” Jennifer Bailey, Apple’s vice president of Apple Pay, said in a statement. “Apple Card Family lets people build their credit history together equally.”

There already exists a credit-building strategy called “piggybacking,” which involves letting someone – a teenager, parent, or even friend – become an authorized user on your credit card. People with no credit or bad credit are sometimes advised that this is one way to establish or rebuild their credit. The authorized user benefits from the positive credit history of the primary cardholder.

With Apple Card Family, individuals 18 and older can opt into having the card’s usage reported to their credit reports. For those who opt into the reporting, all account activity – positive or negative payment history – is reported to credit bureaus. The credit history is not reported for children 13 to 17.

I typically discourage “piggybacking” because the downside is that the authorized user is not responsible for any of the charges. So, even if you set a low limit, you can still be on the hook for charges you didn’t make.

### Should I share my Apple Card with family members?

Apple says the Apple Card can be shared with any eligible customer who is 18 years or older. As co-owners, they have “transparency into each other’s spending” and “share the responsibility of making payments.”

Additionally, with the new feature, two existing Apple card customers can merge their accounts so that they have a higher credit limit. Apple also says the combined credit limit will have an annual percentage rate (APR) that will be the lower of the two original accounts.

Mixing money and credit with family, what could possibly go wrong?

By the way, the top two factors that help your credit history and thus your ability to obtain a good score are paying your bills on time and getting rid of debt.

### Should I help my teenagers build a credit history?

Apple touts the ability of a cardholder to share the card with anyone who is 13 or older as a “participant,” “so they can learn how to spend independently and responsibly.”

The company says parents can set up spending limits and “controls to help teach smart and safe financial habits.”

Your teenager doesn’t need to learn to use debt or build up a credit history at such an early age. Is your child going to need an auto loan, apply for a mortgage or rent an apartment before her 18th birthday?

You know what helps children become responsible money managers: teaching them to live within the financial limits of the cash they get from an allowance or part-time job. A debit card can teach them how to manage their money.

Here’s another way to teach your children how to spend well. Give them a set amount of cash – or load the money onto their debit card – and let them be responsible for buying groceries for a month. They will quickly learn about budgeting.

In my experience, the ideal time to introduce credit usage to a teenager or young adult is when they are about to graduate from college or will soon set out on their own. At that point, you can help them get a secured credit card, which is backed by money deposited into a savings account. For example, if the required deposit is \$250, that becomes the person’s credit limit.

I helped my eldest child get a secured credit card. I told her to make only small-dollar purchases and to pay the entire balance off before the due date every month. After just three months of having charged just two items, her credit score was over 700. The next step was to have her apply for a regular credit card. She was approved and received a credit limit of \$2,500. She’s only used that card a few times in the year she’s had it. Her most recent credit score was 773.

### So, is Apple Card Family a worthwhile feature?

“Apple Card is the first credit card designed for iPhone and to help people lead a healthier financial life,” the company says.

There’s nothing wrong with this feature, but it’s not extraordinary.

And here’s what leads to a healthier financial life: Using as little credit as possible and having a healthy hatred of debt.

Readers can write to Michelle Singletary c/o The Washington Post, 1301 K St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20071. Her email address is michelle.singletary@washpost.com. Follow her on Twitter (@SingletaryM) or Facebook (www.facebook.com/MichelleSingletary). Comments and questions are welcome, but due to the volume of mail, personal responses may not be possible. Please also note comments or questions may be used in a future column, with the writer’s name, unless a specific request to do otherwise is indicated.



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PULSE

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committee is holding a call-out meeting for girls ages 17 to 21 – who are not yet 22 by July 30. The informational meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. Thursday, May 6 at the Wabash City Hall, 202 S. Wabash St. The pageant itself will be held Friday, July 30 in the Ford Theater at the Honeywell Center. Anyone wishing to donate toward the scholarships may do so by sending a check to Bev Vanderpool, 73 W. Sheridan St, Wabash, IN 46992. Checks should be marked “Scholarship Pageant.” The Wabash County Festivals Pageant is a non-profit, therefore all donations are tax-deductible. For more information, visit the Wabash County Festivals Pageant Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/wabash-countyfestivals](http://www.facebook.com/wabash-countyfestivals) scholarship pageant or contact any of the directors.

National Day of Prayer events planned for Thursday, May 6

A pair of celebrations have been planned for the day, first from 12:10 to 12:50 p.m. on the lawn of the Wabash County Courthouse, and again at 6:30 p.m. at the Wabash City Park Pavilion. The guest speaker will be Indiana Statehouse Chaplain Matthew Barnes. For more information, visit [www.praywabash.org](http://www.praywabash.org).

Local clean-up days announced

Mayor Scott Long said the city was working in conjunction with the Wabash County Solid Waste Man-

agement District’s annual Spring Tox-Away Day. The city will offer curbside spring cleanup from Monday, May 3 through Friday, May 7. Piles for pickup should be no larger than 4 feet by 8 feet for collection by the Street Department personnel. Wabash’s Tox-Away Day would be set from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, May 8, and that North Manchester’s would be set from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, May 15. The gates will close “promptly” at 1 p.m. on both days.

Grow Wabash County hosting Process Communication workshop

Registration is now open for Grow Wabash County’s Process Communication Model (PCM) workshop scheduled for Monday, May 3 through Wednesday, May 5, at the Grow Wabash County office. Tuition for the workshop will be \$600. The tuition fee will cover the participant’s course fees, an in-depth personalized PCM profile, and snacks and meals throughout the workshop. Those interested or representatives for their companies can do so at [www.growwabashcounty.com/pcmworkshop](http://www.growwabashcounty.com/pcmworkshop) or by contacting Grow Wabash County by email [info@growwabashcounty.com](mailto:info@growwabashcounty.com) or by phone at 260-563-5258.

Visit Wabash County plans historic buildings tour for May 8

The tour will take place from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 8. The cost will be \$25 per person and will begin at the Visit Wabash Coun-

ty Welcome Center, 221 S. Miami St., Wabash. The North Manchester buildings included in the tour will be The Union Block and Straus Building, The Tower House and The L.Z. Bunker House. For more information, visit [www.visitwabashcounty.com/trolley-tours](http://www.visitwabashcounty.com/trolley-tours) or call 260-563-7171. Payment is due upon registration.

Second Harvest to hold a tailgate food distributions

Second Harvest Food Bank of East Central Indiana has planned tailgate food distributions for 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 26 at Bachelor Creek Church of Christ, 2147 Indiana 15; and noon Wednesday, May 12 at Manchester Church of the Brethren, 1306 Beckley St. North Manchester. For more information, visit [www.curehunger.org](http://www.curehunger.org), [classy.org/campaign/hunger-action-month/c299182](http://classy.org/campaign/hunger-action-month/c299182) or <https://www.givepulse.com/group/203410>.

WACT fall musical auditions planned

The Wabash Area Community Theater’s (WACT) fall musical production, “Sister Act,” will take place from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Friday, May 14, and 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday, May 15, at Wabash Christian Church, 110 W. Hill St. Callbacks, and those who can’t make it to auditions over the weekend, are scheduled for 6 p.m. Monday, May 17, at the church.

Salamonie Lake workdays continue throughout summer

Salamonie Lake’s Upper Wabash Interpretive Services, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews, will

host a variety of volunteer work-related activities. Check-in and instructions will be available at the Interpretive and Nature Center. The volunteer workdays will continue throughout the summer at 9 a.m. Monday, May 17; 9 a.m. Monday, June 21; 9 a.m. Monday, July 26; 9 a.m. Monday, Aug. 16; and 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 25. For more information, visit 260-468-2127.

Wabash County Animal Shelter partnership to pair emerging readers with dogs, cats

The local Literacy for Companionship program will be held on the third Thursday of each month,

with the next one scheduled for May 20 at the Wabash County Animal Shelter, 810 Manchester Ave. The time will be split into 30-minute shifts from 4 to 6 p.m., with four children scheduled per session. There is no cost for the program and the parents or guardians will be with the children at all times. For more information, call 260-563-3511.

Manchester University sets in-person graduation ceremonies

Several small, in-person ceremonies are scheduled for Saturday, May 22 in Cordier Auditorium on the North Manchester campus. Graduate and Professional ceremony are at 9 a.m. for

Doctor of Pharmacy, Master of Athletic Training, Master of Pharmacogenomics, and the dual degree in pharmacy and pharmacogenomics (Pharm.D. and MS in Pgx). Undergraduate and Master of Accountancy (M.Acct.) ceremonies are in this order: 11:30 a.m. Honors Program, College of Arts and Humanities, M.Acct. and Gilbert College of Business; 2:30 p.m. College of Pharmacy, Natural and Health Sciences; and 4:30 p.m. College of Education and Social Sciences.

*Editor’s note: If you have an upcoming event to submit, please send it by email to [news@wabashplaindealer.com](mailto:news@wabashplaindealer.com) no later than five days before the event itself. Please use complete sentences, Associated Press style and Microsoft Word or PDF file formats.*

BABE

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Items at the Babe store including diapers, wipes, and clothing can then be ‘purchased’ by families through the exchange of coupons,” said Till. “Additionally, families will be able to take classes around topics like nutrition and parenting, and children will be able to take classes like storytime. Babe is not an income-based organization, meaning all families regardless of income are welcome to take classes, shop in the store and find support and connection from one another.”

Till said Babe is currently partnered with 20 various coupon vendors around Wabash County and families can begin collecting coupons now. The store hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. every Tuesday, and additional store hours and days will be added over time. Classes have not yet begun, but Till said that they plan to start classes in early summer.

Till said she was inspired to establish Babe in Wabash due to her own positive experiences with Babe of Whitley County. Till said the



Photo by Rob Burgess / Plain Dealer

Till said they are still accepting donations of new items, including diapers.

journey to bring Babe to Wabash County began in June 2019 when they became a fiscally sponsored project of the Community Foundation of Wabash County (CFWC) to operate under their tax-exempt status and issue donors receipts for their gifts. In February, Babe submitted their 501c3 application to the IRS and is awaiting approval.

“Until then, the Community Foundation is happy to continue to accept donations on behalf of Babe of Wabash County,” said Till.

To help Babe of Wabash County meet their \$50,000

matching grant goal, you can do so by donating directly to the CFWC by visiting [www.cfwbash.org](http://www.cfwbash.org). Checks may also be sent to the CFWC at 105 W. 2nd Street, Suite 100, North Manchester, IN 46962. Be sure to write Babe of Wabash county on the memo line. A list of vendors who are currently passing out coupons may be found by visiting [www.babeofwabashcounty.org](http://www.babeofwabashcounty.org). For more information, email [babeofwabashinc@gmail.com](mailto:babeofwabashinc@gmail.com).

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Dated at Wabash, Indiana, this 5th day of April, 2021.

/s/ Lori J. Draper (SEAL)  
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**0900**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION  
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF BARROW COUNTY  
STATE OF GEORGIA  
IN RE: Petition of  
Michael Shawn Murdock  
To adopt Trenten Robert Reist Adoption Petition  
Minor child  
No. 21A- 03-W  
To Terry Dale Collier  
You, are hereby notified that the above-styled action seeking the termination of parental rights for the minor child was filed on January 28, 2021, and that by reason you are hereby notified that a hearing to terminate your parental rights is to be held on July 12, 2021 at 9:00 am in the Superior Court of Barrow County, 652 Barrow Park Drive, Winder, Georgia.  
Witnesseth the Honorable Wayne D. McLocklin, Superior Court of Barrow County.  
This 22 day of March 2021  
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CAUSE NUMBER:85C01-2104-JT-000007  
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Wabash Circuit Court, 49 West Hill Street, Wabash, IN 46992 -  
260-563-0661 for a(n) Fact Finding Hearing on 6/23/2021 at 9:00  
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cluding any rights to custody, control, visitation, or support in said  
child; and if the Court terminates your parent-child relationship, it  
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test an adoption or other placement of said child.  
You are entitled to representation by an attorney, provided by the  
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YOU MUST RESPOND by appearing in person or by an attorney  
within thirty (30) days after the last publication of this notice, and  
in the event you fail to do so, adjudication on said petition and ter-  
mination of your parental rights may be entered against you, in  
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/s/Lori J Draper (SEAL)  
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# Couple clashes over time spent with sons

**DEAR ABBY:** My wife and I have been married five years and are raising four children. One is from my previous relationship, one is from her previous relationship and two are ours. We both have joint custody. My son goes to school near his mom. My wife's son goes to school where we live. They are 9 and 8.

Dear Abby



There's a lot of tension between us because my stepson's father isn't the greatest parent. He never comes to school events or sporting events, so he misses half of everything. I regularly attend my son's events, which are a couple of hours away and take time away from my stepson. I put my 9-year-old first because he's my first-born, and I have him less. My wife disagrees with this, and we fight about it constantly. I believe I am doing the right thing. Advice, please. — Wondering In Wisconsin

**DEAR WONDERING:** I'm sorry your wife's son's father hasn't stepped up to the plate. But please do not allow your wife to interfere with your relationship with your son. You ARE doing the right thing by showing an interest in what he's doing and supporting him emotionally.

**DEAR ABBY:** I have been married nine years. My husband doesn't allow me to leave the house without him. He makes sure I don't have a car or access to the one we have. He tells me he doesn't mean anything by it, but if I try to take a walk alone, he is right on my heels.

If I go anywhere with my sister or a friend, I must wait until he is gone. If he gets home before I do, he's sitting on the porch waiting for me. He is not physically abusive, but I feel like a prisoner. I have told him several times how it makes me feel, but he doesn't seem to get it. I really need some advice. — Trapped In Georgia

**DEAR TRAPPED:** Your husband doesn't get it because he doesn't WANT to. What he is doing is NOT a demonstration of love or concern for your safety. It's an example of his own insecurity and need to control you. This is a big red flag, and my advice is to call the National Domestic Violence Hotline and discuss this with someone there because what's happening could escalate into abuse. The toll-free phone number is: (800) 799-7233.

**DEAR ABBY:** I love my grown children and grandchildren, but I hate it when they come "home" for a week or more. My house gets turned upside down and inside out, and I end up losing my temper. Then I feel like an awful mother. I suggested we all meet somewhere else, but it didn't go over well. Help! — Invaded In North Dakota

**DEAR INVADED:** Your suggestion may not have gone over well with your children and grandchildren, but that doesn't mean you shouldn't "suggest" it again. And when you do, make sure they understand you are saying it because when they visit they leave your home in disarray, which creates more work for you than you are comfortable doing. Unless they are willing to make sure your home is as neat when they leave as when they arrived, enough is enough.

*Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Contact Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.*

## CROSSWORD

### ACROSS

- 1 Leave out
- 5 "Just as I thought!"
- 8 Barn topper
- 12 Ms. McEntire
- 13 Figure-head's place
- 14 "The Mammoth Hunters" writer
- 15 Furrowed
- 16 Captain Picard series (2 wds.)
- 18 Net surfer
- 20 Arid
- 21 Classified items
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- 25 Madrid article
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- 33 Acid neutralizer
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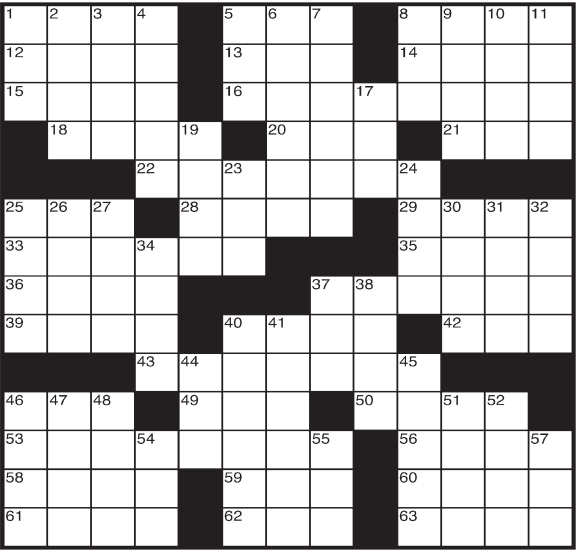
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- 6 Ballgame fare (2 wds.)

### Answer to Previous Puzzle



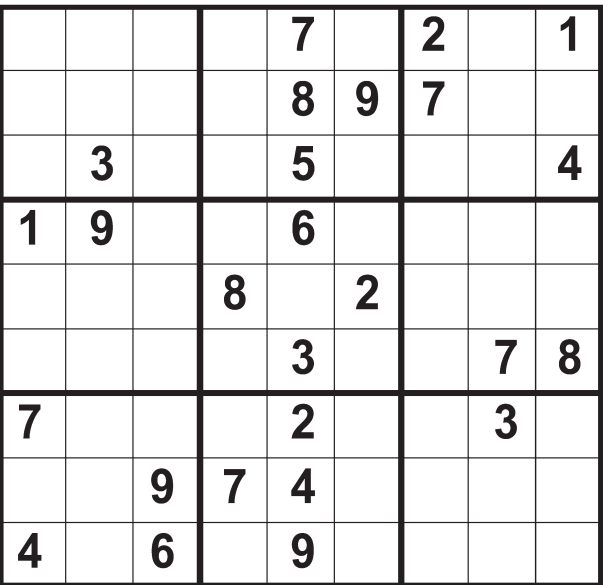
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- 19 Film holder
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- 25 Oil job
- 26 Mexican pot
- 27 Overlook
- 30 Pitch
- 31 Not into the wind
- 32 Golfer's target
- 34 Lhasa —
- 37 Rather or Aykroyd
- 38 Orchidlike flower
- 40 Antiques
- 41 Go for pizza, say (2 wds.)
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- 45 Stogie
- 46 Eating place
- 47 PC system
- 48 To be, in Bordeaux
- 51 Bouquet
- 52 Young lady of Sp.
- 54 PC abandon key
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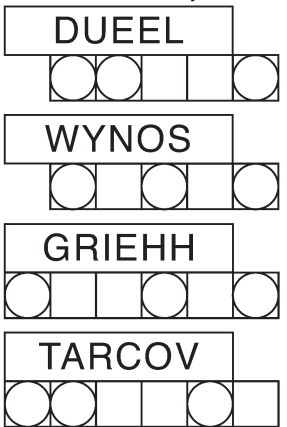
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## JUMBLE

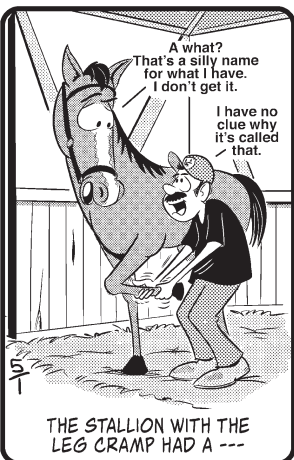
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### THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



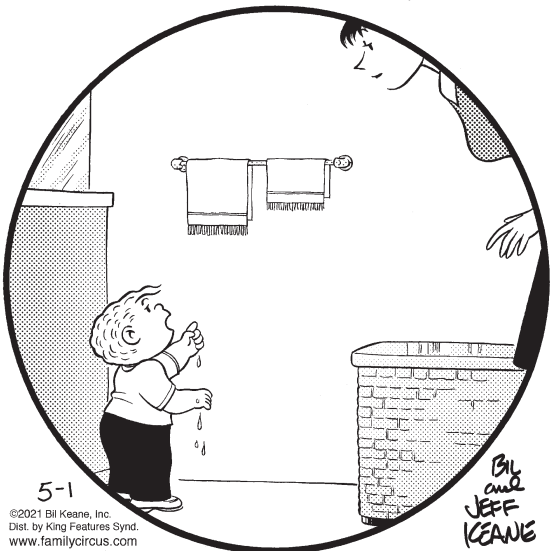
Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers Monday)

Yesterday's Jumbles: FLAIL NEEDY POPLAR MANNER Answer: When their bill was much lower than they expected, it was — "FEE-NOMINAL"

## THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane

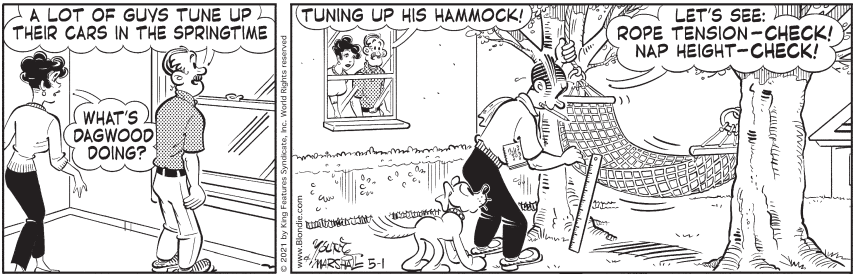


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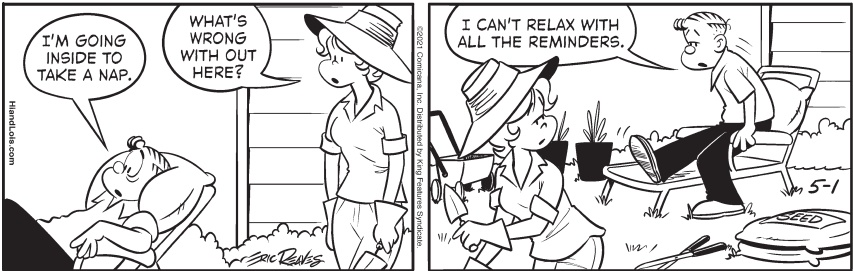
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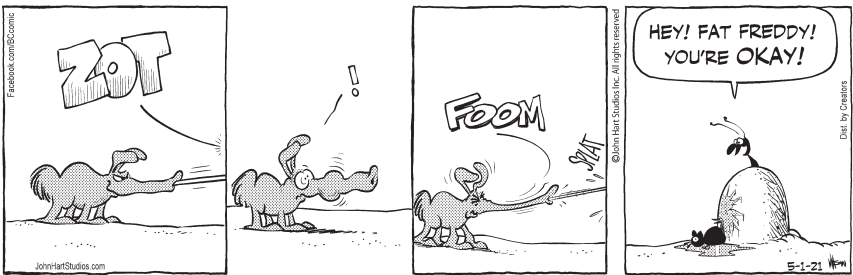
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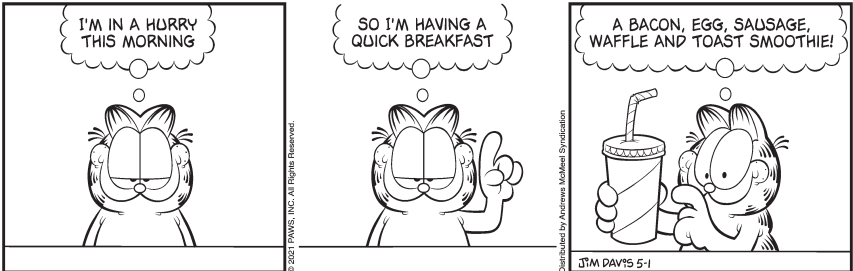
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# God's forgiveness

**Q:** I have a friend in prison who says God cannot forgive her for what she has done, because she committed the worst sin — taking the life of another. What hope does she have to know God's forgiveness? — P.D.

**A:** Many see God as able to forgive the small sin, but incapable of forgiving the gross sinner. In our own weakness as humans, we tend to grade sins. Here's a little sin on our scale, but over here there's a very, very heavy sin.

The story is told about many war criminals being put on trial for their crimes after their defeat at the hands of the Allies in 1945. Many leaders who committed some of the most infamous crimes known to man were brought to trial.

The world watched as sentences of imprisonment and death were brought against them. However, an amazing account was given by a prison chaplain who recalled the sincere conversion to faith in Jesus Christ by some of these men who had committed despicable crimes — one of them a former general.

At first, the chaplain was very leery of confessions of faith. He said the first time he saw this criminal reading his Bible he thought he was a phony. However,

as the chaplain spent time with him he wrote, "But the longer I listened, the more I felt he might be sincere. He insisted he was very glad that a nation which would probably put him to death thought enough of his eternal welfare to provide him with spiritual guidance."

With Bible in hand he said, "I know from this book that God can love a sinner like me." There is always hope. What an amazing love God exhibited for us all at the cross!

## CELEBRITY CIPHER

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

"Z M I S O K F B K F X M C S Y X M C S P I  
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Z M I S O K F ' L I U C Y I D B C A C S C E B D A B ."  
— B D U U X P E C Z

Previous Solution: "I've always tried to do my very best, and I want to be the very best aqe. whatever aqe I am." — Ann-Margret  
TODAY'S CLUE: R s n d n e r E





## Spartans takes three-game set from Yellow Jackets

Manchester's sweep improved their standing to 15-16 on the season

By DILLON BENDER

The Manchester University baseball team collected a trio of victories against Defiance College after sweeping this weekend's three-game set against the Yellow Jackets.

Manchester opened the weekend series with an 8-6 victory on the afternoon of Friday, April 23. The Black and Gold then swept the dou-

bleheader Sunday, April 25, winning by final scores of 5-3 and 5-4.

In the first victory, Michael Pinarski, from Goshen, provided a power surge with three home runs. Pinarski finished 4-5 at the plate with three runs scored and 4 RBI. His third homer of the game in the sixth inning tied the game at 6-6. MU would go on to score once in the eighth and ninth innings to seal the victory.

CJ Williams, from Pendleton and Pendleton Heights High School, threw 4.0 scoreless innings in relief to earn his third victory on Friday.

In Game 1 of Sunday's DH, the Spartans utilized a four-run top of

the sixth inning to clip the Yellow Jackets.

Zach White, from Logansport, delivered a run-scoring single through the left side that scored Michael Pinarski.

Jacob Van Pelt, from Parker City and Delta High School, then delivered a two-run double to right-center that put the Spartans ahead 4-3. Austin Knowles, from Nassau, Bahamas, and Athens Christian High School in Georgia, capped the rally with an RBI single to left.

Starting pitcher Carter Hooks, from Rochester, struck six in six innings en route to his third win of the

spring. Keegan Stevens, from Rensselaer and Rensselaer Central High School, did not allow a hit in three innings of relief. He picked up his second save of the year.

The Spartans broke through with three runs in the top of fourth in the second game of the day on Sunday.

Alex Morr, from Bryan, Ohio, and Cole Filson, from Plymouth, hit back-to-back run-scoring doubles to get the Spartans on the scoreboard. Brett Kron, from Cincinnati, Ohio, and Oak Hills High School, added an RBI single to center in the inning.

The Black and Gold would add single runs in the fifth and sixth in-

nings.

Defiance College did make things interesting down the stretch after scoring three times in the seventh and once more in the ninth.

An RBI triple by Defiance cut Manchester's lead to just 5-4 with two outs in the final inning. With the tying run just 90 feet away, Jacob Van Pelt was able to get DC's Lane Good to fly out to the left to end the game.

Manchester's sweep improved their standing to 15-16 on the season. MU will travel to Rose-Hulman on Saturday, May 1, for another HCAC doubleheader.

## Indianapolis Colts add pass rusher Kwity Paye of Michigan

By MICHAEL MAROT  
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Kwity Paye just wanted a chance to hear his name called during the NFL draft so he could tell his mother, Agnes, she no longer had to work.

The Indianapolis Colts made it all possible with one call.

General manager Chris Ballard took the highly touted pass rusher from Michigan with the 21st overall pick Thursday night, capping an incredible story that began with Paye's mother fleeing Liberia's civil war near the turn of the century and eventually raising two sons in America.

"It means everything that was my goal my whole life," Paye said shortly after the selection. "Just seeing how hard she worked is what made me work hard. So being able to tell her that she's done (working), it means a lot."

The 6-foot-2, 261-pound Paye could mean a lot for the Colts, too.

Ballard has been looking for a young, consistent pass rusher ever since he took the Indy job following the 2016 season. The need became only greater this year when the Colts opted not to to resign last season's two starting defensive ends, Denico Autry and Justin Houston. Autry signed with division rival Tennessee. Houston remains unsigned.

So when Paye slid through the top 20 picks, Ballard ended a three-year run of trading first-round picks.

Indy moved down three



Kirthmon F. Dozier / Detroit Free Press / AP

Michigan defensive lineman Kwity Paye celebrates his sack against the Iowa Hawkeyes during the first half of an Oct. 5 game. Paye was drafted in the first round of the NFL draft on Thursday.

spots in 2018 before taking it, Paye said. "His mother, just what a tremendous lady and what she did for her kids and what they went through, she deserves a lot of credit."

Ballard could have gone with Virginia Tech offensive tackle Christian Darrisaw still available as the likely replacement for longtime left tackle Anthony Castonzo, who retired in January.

But with two starting spots open on the defensive line, the greater need was finding someone who could make an immediate impact. Paye fit the bill.

"I've made some pretty

easy picks where you just kind of knew and pulling the card for Kwity Paye was very easy," Ballard said. "He stands for everything we want. We think he's got really good upside, we think he's

going to get better and we think he's going to add to our (defensive) front."

Paye earned second-team All-Big Ten honors in 2019 when he recorded 50 tackles, 12 for loss and 6 1/2 sacks in 12 games. Last season, he was named a captain at Michigan and was an honorable mention all-conference selection despite missing two games with injury. He finished 2020 with 16 tackles and two sacks. And he was named Rhode Island's 2016 Gatorade Player of the Year as a two-way star.

"Last night I was kind of anxious, excited," he said. "I woke up this morning, I was cool. Once I got picked, turned around and saw my family there, it was kind of heartwarming." and I remembered the hard work put in throughout the years."

## Kentucky Derby is back at old home in May

By BETH HARRIS  
AP Racing Writer

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — The bourbon is flowing again, flowery hats and humans are on the scene and 20 horses are ready to run the most chaotic race of their lives. After being disrupted by a pandemic, the Kentucky Derby is back with many of its traditions intact.

America's longest continuously held sporting event returns to its traditional spot on the calendar — the first Saturday in May. The 147th edition comes less than eight months after it was run without spectators last September because of COVID-19, making it the shortest time between Derbies in history.

"I was hoping to enjoy my Derby win a little longer," joked trainer Bob Baffert, who earned his sixth last year with Authentic.

The eerie silence that settled over Churchill Downs last year when no spectators were allowed is being replaced by attendance of about 45,000 — some 100,000 less than usual. Masks are required. Food and drinks are all-inclusive to lessen long lines and separate payments for every transaction.

With the Derby restored to its usual day, last year's upside down Triple Crown has been righted. The Preakness follows on May 15 and the Belmont, which kicked off the series a year ago, concludes it on June 5.

Essential Quality is the early 2-1 favorite on Saturday and has the bona fides. The striking gray colt was last year's 2-year-old champion. He comes in undefeated in five career starts. The last unbeaten colt to win the Derby was Justify in 2018, and he went on to sweep the Triple Crown.

Essential Quality is owned and bred by

Godolphin Racing, the stable of Dubai Sheikh Mohammed al Maktoum, who is 0-for-11 in his decades-long quest to win America's greatest race. A victory by Essential Quality would bring extra scrutiny of human rights issues involving the sheikh, who won't be among the limited fans in attendance.

The Kentucky Horse Racing Commission received a complaint this week from a group of human rights attorneys and students at the University of Louisville seeking to have Sheikh Mohammed banned from the Derby over alleged human rights abuses. A judge in England ruled that he orchestrated the abductions of two of his adult daughters.

Essential Quality's jockey, Luis Saez, is seeking his first Derby win after crossing the finish line first aboard Maximum Security in 2019 only to have his colt disqualified.

"Essential Quality is a deserving favorite," trainer Todd Pletcher said, "but I think it's a wide-open race."

Pletcher, a two-time Derby winner, saddles four starters, led by 6-1 shot Known Agenda. His others are listed at double-digit odds: 20-1 Dynamic One, 30-1 Bourbonic and 50-1 Sainthood.

The biggest question for these 3-year-olds is whether they can handle the 1 1/4 miles while getting jostled in a full field of 20 horses. They'll be running in front of a noisy crowd for the first time since the pandemic forced tracks to close to the public last year.

Besides Essential Quality, the other undefeated horses in the field are 5-1 Rock Your World and 50-1 Helium, both 3-0. Rock Your World won his first two starts on turf before switching to dirt and winning the Santa Anita Derby.

Two-time Derby-winning trainer Doug O'Neill goes for another with 8-1

shot Hot Rod Charlie, a colt co-owned by his nephew Patrick O'Neill and four of his former Brown University football teammates. "It's going to be the race of a lifetime for these guys," Doug O'Neill said.

For all its tradition, this year's Derby is one of firsts:

■ It's the first to be run without Lasix. Previously allowed on race day, the anti-bleeding medication has been banned by Churchill Downs and the other Triple Crown tracks.

■ Brad Cox attempts to become the first Louisville-born trainer to win. Besides saddling Essential Quality, he has 15-1 shot Mandaloun, whose Juddmonte Farms owner Saudi Prince Khalid bin Abdullah died in January. Cox says a victory would make him "a pretty good 'Jeopardy!' question that nobody will answer."

■ Kendrick Carmouche, aboard Bourbonic, could be the first Black jockey to win in 119 years. The Derby was won by Black riders in 15 of its first 28 editions.

■ Vicki Oliver saddles 50-1 shot Hidden Stash in a bid to become the first female trainer to win. Shelley Riley finished second with Casual Lies in 1992.

■ Baffert, tied with Ben Jones for the most Derby wins at six, goes for a record seventh with Medina Spirit, a 15-1 shot, after his other hopefuls were derailed along the Derby trail. "I'm coming in there quiet, but I need luck," he said.

■ Mike Smith, aboard 20-1 shot Midnight Bourbon, would be the oldest jockey to win at age 55.

Saturday's forecast calls for sunshine, low humidity and a high of 75 degrees Fahrenheit (23 Celsius).

Post time is 6:57 p.m. EDT.

## Manchester softball splits doubleheader with Defiance

By DILLON BENDER

The Manchester softball team earned a split in its Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference doubleheader on Monday, April 26. The Spartans topped the Defiance Yellow Jackets in Game 1 10-8 before DC earned a 12-5 victory in Game 2.

**Game 1:** Manchester defeated Defiance 10-8.

**Game 2:** Defiance defeated Manchester 12-5.

After falling behind the Yellow Jackets 3-0 early in the first frame, Manchester would then take a 5-2 lead in the second inning after a three-run home run by Kendal Torrence. The Yellow Jackets then broke through, scoring the game's next 10 runs to earn a split with the Spartans.

On the day, Page Wagner went 5-8 with three RBI. Wagner also earned the pitching victory in the first game of the day. Kendal Torrence drove in six runs while Alexis Mokos, from Cedar Lake and Hanover Central High School, went 3-7.

## Four Manchester football players earn recognition from HCAC

By DILLON BENDER

The Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference (HCAC) announced its 2021 Football All-Conference teams and award winners on Friday, April 23.

Four Spartans were honored in this year's award listing.

Leading the way for the Black and Gold with a First Team All-Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference nod was Harrington Greer, from South Bend, and Riley High School. Greer finished the season with 28 receptions, 387 receiving yards and four touchdowns. His 77.4 receiving yards per game ranked fourth in the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference. Harrington capped his junior season with seven catches and a career-high 159 receiving yards in the season finale against Mount St. Joseph University.

Another trio of Spartans was named to the Honorable Mention All-HCAC Team on Friday morning. Senior linebacker Kobe Roberson, from Michigan City, picked up honorable mention all-league honors after leading

the Manchester defense with 45 total tackles and 2.5 sacks. Roberson also racked up 5.5 tackles-for-loss for 23 yards and recovered a fumble. The senior ended his Manchester career with 82 total tackles and 10 career tackles-for-loss.

For the second time in his Manchester career, cornerback Jaquan Walker, from Johnson, Florida, and Interlachen High School, was honored by the HCAC. A Second Team All-HCAC honoree in 2019, Walker earned Honorable Mention All-HCAC honors this spring. Jaquan totaled 23 tackles in 7 games this year while breaking up five passes. Those five breakups ranked third in the HCAC. He also came away with one interception.

Rounding out the all-conference honors for Manchester was junior defensive end Jabari Webb, from Villa Rica, Georgia. Webb picked up Honorable Mention All-HCAC recognition after finishing the season with 43 total tackles and five tackles-for-loss. Webb had two games this year with 10 or more tackles, 10 vs. Adrian and a career-high 12 vs. Franklin.

### NFL

#### 2021 NFL Draft Selections Thursday FIRST ROUND

1. Jacksonville, Trevor Lawrence, qb, Clemson.
2. N.Y. Jets, Zach Wilson, qb, BYU.
3. San Francisco (from Houston through Miami), Trey Lance, qb, North Dakota State.
4. Atlanta, Kyle Pitts, te, Florida.
5. Cincinnati, Ja'Marr Chase, wr, LSU.
6. Miami (from Phila.), Jaylen, Waddle, wr, Alabama.
7. Detroit, Penei Sewell, ot, Oregon.
8. Carolina, Jaycee Horn, cb, South Carolina.
9. Denver, Patrick Surtain II, cb, Alabama.
10. Phila. (from Dallas), DeVonta Smith, wr, Alabama.
11. Chicago (from N.Y. Giants), Justin Fields, qb, Ohio State.
12. Dallas (from Phila. through San Francisco and Miami), Micah Parsons, lb, Penn State.
13. L.A. Chargers, Rashawn Slater, ot, North-western.
14. N.Y. Jets (from Minnesota), Alijah Vera-Tucker, g, Southern Cal.

15. New England, Mac Jones, qb, Alabama.
16. Arizona, Zaven Collins, lb, Tulsa.
17. Las Vegas, Alex Leatherwood, ot, Alabama.
18. Miami, Jaelan Phillips, de, Miami.
19. Washington, Jamin Davis, lb, Kentucky.
20. N.Y. Giants (from Chicago), Kadarius Toney, wr, Florida.
21. Indianapolis, Kwity Paye, de, Michigan.
22. Tennessee, Caleb Farley, cb, Virginia Tech.
23. Minnesota (from N.Y. Jets through Seattle), Christian Darrisaw, ot, Virginia Tech.
24. Pittsburgh, Najee Harris, rb, Alabama.
25. Jacksonville (from L.A. Rams), Travis Etienne, rb, Clemson.
26. Cleveland, Greg Newsome II, cb, Northwestern.
27. Baltimore, Rashod Bateman, wr, Minnesota.
28. New Orleans, Payton Turner, de, Houston.
29. Green Bay, Eric Stokes, cb, Georgia.
30. Buffalo, Gregory Rousseau, de, Miami.
31. Baltimore (from Kansas City), Jayson Oweh, de, Penn State.
32. Tampa Bay, Joe Tryon, de, Washington.





ASSEMBLY OF GOD

**Gospel Light Assembly of God**, 347 Southwood Drive. Pastor Neil Jeffrey. Sunday School 9:45am (all ages). Morning worship service 10:30am. Evening service 6pm. Wednesday midweek service 7pm; Kids' Korral Wednesday 7pm. Youth meeting 7pm (ages 12-19).

**Sweetwater Assembly of God**, 2551 SR 114 E, North Manchester. (260) 982-6179. Sunday worship 9am & 10:45am. Sunday evening outreach groups & youth ministry 5-7pm. Wednesday 6:30pm adult/teen bible study, 6:30pm Kidz Zone (K thru 6th grade). All worship services streaming online and on our Facebook page.

BAPTIST

**Emmanuel Free Will Baptist**, 129 Southwood Drive. Pastor Terry Hinds. (260) 563-3009. Sunday School 9:30am. Sunday Worship 10:30am & 6pm; Children's Church 10:30am. Wednesday morning prayer service 11am. Wednesday Prayer meeting 6pm. Transportation available. Sunday worship services streaming on our Facebook page

**Southside Free Will Baptist**, 360 Columbus Street. Pastor Tim Webb. Sunday School 10am. Worship Service 11am. Sunday Evening 6pm. Wednesday Evening 6pm. Sunday worship services streaming online

**Wabash Free Will Baptist Church**, 1056 Erie Street. Wednesday evening prayer meeting 6pm. Sunday School 10am, Church 11am; evening service 6pm.

CATHOLIC

**St. Bernard Catholic Church**, corner of Cass & Sinclair. Father Levi Nkwocha. Masses: Masses: Saturday 5:30 p.m. and Sunday 9:30 a.m.; Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 5:30 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday at 8:15 a.m. Face masks and social distancing required.

**St. Patrick's Catholic Church**, Main Street in Lagro, Welcomes You Back! New Service Time 11:00 AM Sunday, October 4, Sunday November 1 and Sunday December 6. In keeping with COVID-19 State Rules, please wear a mask and socially distance. Let Us Worship Together.

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**Christian Heritage Church**, 2776 River Road. (260) 569-7710. Pastor Tim Prater. Sunday 8:30am. Radio Ministry 95.9 WKUZ. Sunday School 9:30am. Morning Service 10:30am. Sunday evening 6pm. Wednesday evening 6pm. Online services on Sunday at 10:30 am and Wednesday 6:00 pm

**LaFontaine Christian Church**, 202 Bruner Pike, LaFontaine. Minister Brad Wright. (765) 981-2101. Worship 9am & 10:30am, Nursery & Jr. Church available. Online Services available on our website

CHURCH OF CHRIST

**Church of Christ**, Wabash (corner of N Wabash Street and US 24). Evangelist Josh Fennell (260) 563-8234. Sunday School 9am. Morning Worship 10am. Evening Worship 6:30pm. Wednesday Service 7pm. Wednesday Kid's Jam 7pm.

CHURCH OF GOD

**First Church of God**, 525 N. Miami Street. Pastor Robert Rensberger. (260) 563-5346. Sunday School at 9:15am, for all ages. Continental breakfast at 10am. Sunday Morning Worship is at 10:30am. Nursery care is available during worship service. Stair lift available.

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**Wabash Church of the Brethren**, 645 Bond Street (off Falls Avenue). Pastor Doug Veal. (260) 563-5291. Wherever you are on life's journey, come join us as we continue the work of Jesus... Peacefully, Simply, Together. Sunday School 9:30am. Worship 10:30am. Children's church and nursery available during worship. Online Service through website or conference call.

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**Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)**, 110 W. Hill St., Wabash; Stephen Eberhard, Transitional minister; phone: 260-563-4179; website: www.wabashchristian.org. Worship Service 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Nursery provided. Find us on YouTube and Facebook. Services streaming on our website and Facebook.

FRIENDS CHURCH

**Wabash Friends Church**, 3563 S State Rd 13. (260) 563-8452. Lead Pastor, Brandon Eaton. Join us for in-person worship at 8:30AM or 10:45AM, or via live-stream on Facebook at 10:45AM. Children's programming available infants - 6th grade. Sunday school for all ages at 9:45AM. Youth (7th-12th) Sunday evenings at 6:30PM.

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**Living Faith Lutheran Church (NALC)**, 242 S. Huntington St., Wabash, IN. Worship begins each Sunday morning at 10:10 a.m. with Bible study classes for all ages at 9:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome to join us for worship. Worship Services live streamed on our website. www.LivingFaithWabash.org

**Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA)**, 1500 S Wabash Street. Pastor Dr. Kent Young. (260) 563-6626. We worship our Lord each Sunday at 9:30am with Gospel-based message and Holy Communion. There is a time of fellowship and refreshments immediately following the service. We are handicap accessible and everyone is welcome at Trinity! tlcwabash@gmail.com.

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**North Manchester United Methodist Church**, 306 E Second Street, North Manchester. Pastor Steve Bahrt. (260) 982-7537. Worship Service 8:15am & 10:30am. Coffee Fellowship 9am. Sunday School 9:30am.

**Richvalley United Methodist Church**, 290 N Jefferson. (260) 563-1033. Pastor Jack Suits. Worship service begins at 9:30am. Nursery available. Sunday School begins at 10:45am for all age.

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